

processing technology. Apart from these organisations who are themselves using these supercomputers, other R&D and Academic institutions in India are also using the indigenously developed supercomputers. Further developments are continuing to build supercomputers of higher peak powers based on parallel processing to meet various requirements in Mission critical applications.

Allocation for Madhya Pradesh

3473. SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the total Plan outlay fixed for the State of Madhya Pradesh during the Ninth Five Year Plan;

(b) the rate of Industrial and Agricultural growth contemplated thereunder vis-a-vis Eighth Five Year Plan; and

(c) the strategy proposed to be adopted under the Ninth Plan to ensure speedy development of backward areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRIMATI RATNMALA D. SAVANOOR) : (a) The total Plan outlay fixed for the State of Madhya Pradesh during the Ninth Five Year Plan stands at Rs. 20075 crore.

(b) Growth rates in various sectors of the State Economy would be dependent on public as well as private investment. The quantum of private investment cannot be indicated since investment will proceed independently.

(c) The development of backward areas in a State is primarily the responsibility of the concerned State Government. The Planning Commission, however, assist in overall development of the State by way of allocation of Plan funds. Besides, the States are also assisted by the Central Government through Special Central Assistance.

Complaint Cell

3475. SHRI CHHITUBHAI GAMIT :
SHRI RAM NAIK :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether a study conducted by the Foundation for Research in Community health has shown that several doctors have grossly inadequate knowledge of highly prevalent diseases like tuberculosis and leprosy and also of the standard of treatment for these diseases;

(b) whether the Government have set up a cell to look into the complaints against doctors;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the programme chalked out so far to inquire into the complaints received from State Governments against the doctors?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY) : (a) Yes, Sir

(b) to (d) A grievance Redressal Cell (Health Sector) has been established in the Directorate General of Health Services on 25th March, 1997 to deal with complaints relating to medical treatment. These complaints are forwarded to the concerned authorities for investigations and appropriate action.

Special Central Assistance

3475. SHRIMATI BHAVNABEN DEVRAJ BHAI CHIKHALIA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government propose to increase the amount of special central assistance to the backward and adivasi dominated States for various sub-plans and programmes during the Ninth Plan period as compared to the Eighth Five Year Plan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRIMATI RATNMALA D. SAVANOOR) : (a) and (b) Special Central Assistance is allocated under Special Area Programmes namely Hill Area Development Programme, Border Area Development Programme, Tribal Sub-Plans, North-Eastern Council, etc. to ameliorate the special problems of the backward and tribal areas in the States. The sectoral strategies and allocation for the Ninth Five Year Plan is currently under way in Planning Commission.

Indo-Peru Relations

3476. SHRI G. A. CHARAN REDDY :
SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state

(a) whether India and Peru signed an agreement during the visit of the President of Peru to India;

(b) if so, the total number of agreements signed between India and Peru alongwith their details

(c) whether one of the agreements is on making joint effort to fight terrorism; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and to what extent relations between the two countries have improved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Six official Agreements were signed during the visit. These pertain to Agriculture, Antarctica, cooperation between the Diplomatic Academy of Peru and Foreign Service Institute of India, Regular Foreign Office consultations, Technical Cooperation and Tourism. Two business agreements were also signed during the visit. The first set up a Joint Business /Council (JBC)